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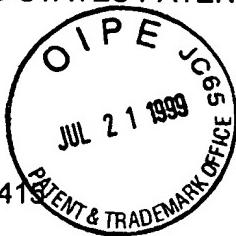
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF
BRUGGER ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: 08/288,411

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Examiner: R. Bawa

FOR: AN AEROSOL CONTAINER AND A METHOD FOR STORAGE AND
ADMINISTRATION OF A PRE-DETERMINED AMOUNT OF A
PHARMACEUTICALLY ACTIVE AEROSOL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of March 19, 1999 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on June 19, 1999. A one-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis Corporation in the amount of \$110 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis Corporation.

Respectfully submitted,

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